

CHAPTER NO. 474

SENATE BILL NO. 3109

By Kurita

Substituted for: House Bill No. 3448

By McMillan, Head, Brenda Turner

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-402, relative to use of lighting on certain motor vehicles.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-402, is amended by adding the following language as subsection (e) and relettering the remaining subsection accordingly:

(e)(1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, nothing in this section shall prohibit a highway maintenance or utility vehicle from operating either:

(A) A white light system within the headlight assembly or grill area or that displays to the front of the vehicle, or

(B) An amber light system on any location on such vehicle other than in the tail light lamp, stoplight area, or factory installed emergency flasher and backup light area,

if such light system is flashing, oscillating, or revolving, while the vehicle is engaged in repair or maintenance work on or near any public highway.

(2) As used in this subsection, "utility" means any person, municipality, county, metropolitan government, cooperative, board, commission, district, or any entity created or authorized by public act, private act, or general law to provide electricity, natural gas, water, waste water services, telephone service, or any combination thereof, for sale to consumers in any particular service area.

(3) As used in subdivision (e)(2), "cooperative" means any cooperative providing utility services, including, but not limited to, electric and/or telephone services.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: March 18, 2004



JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 5th day of April 2004



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